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The meeting was called to order at 3.25 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED NATIONS (S/22896)

The PRESIDENT (interpretation from Spanish): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the report (S/22896) of the Committee on the Admission of New Members concerning the application of the Federated States of Micronesia for admission to membership in the United Nations.

In paragraph 3 of the report, the Committee recommends to the Security Council the adoption of a draft resolution on the application of the Federated States of Micronesia for membership in the United Nations.

I should like to congratulate the Committee on its decision to recommend that the Federated States of Micronesia be admitted to membership in the United Nations.

In accordance with the understanding reached in prior consultations among members of the Council, I propose that the Council adopt without a vote the draft resolution contained in paragraph 3 of the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members.

As I hear no objection, it is so decided.

I therefore declare that the draft resolution contained in paragraph 3 of the report (S/22896) of the Committee on the Admission of New Members has been adopted without a vote as resolution 703 (1991).

(The President)

I shall immediately convey the decision of the Security Council recommending the admission of the Federated States of Micronesia to membership in the United Nations to the Secretary-General for transmission to the General Assembly in accordance with the provisions of rule 60 of the provisional rules of procedure.

I shall now make a statement, in my capacity as President of the Security Council, on behalf of the members of the Council.

"In my capacity as President of the Security Council and on behalf of the members of the Council, I should like to underscore the historic importance of the resolution which we have just adopted recommending the admission of the Federated States of Micronesia to membership in the United Nations. This resolution is without a doubt the logical follow-up to resolution 683 (1990), adopted by the Security Council on 22 December 1990, by which it terminated the trusteeship arrangement for the Territories of Micronesia.

"For the Security Council as well as for the Trusteeship Council, and for the United Nations as a whole, this resolution marks the culmination of an effort sustained over decades to enable the peoples of these Territories to take charge of their destiny and assume the place to which they are entitled in the community of nations.

"The universality of our Organization is steadily becoming a reality and gaining in significance as more and more of the States which make up the world community are admitted to membership.

"The founders of our Organization had precisely that objective in mind - namely, the formation of a single, universal entity in which all States would share responsibility for the preservation of international

(The President)

peace and security without distinction as to level of economic development, size of population, military might or any other factor.

"The Federated States of Micronesia will make an outstanding contribution to the United Nations by bringing to it an innovative approach and a fresh perspective on world affairs, in order to promote changes in established practices, many of which, as all the Members of the Organization are aware, are in need of renewal.

"On behalf of the members of the Security Council, I congratulate the Federated States of Micronesia on the decision which the Council has adopted recommending to the General Assembly its admission to membership in the United Nations."

There being no other speakers, I take it that the Council has concluded its consideration of the matter before it.

The meeting rose at 3.35 p.m.